

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

Office of the Governor

* INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK *

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 16-20, 2009, as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our Nation's peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, international education and exchange include thousands of programs, public and private, campus based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders; and

WHEREAS, international education and exchange include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education; and

WHEREAS, by participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures and are more prepared for a global environment; and

WHEREAS, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security; and

WHEREAS, through international education, the United States can establish a foundation for dialogue and partnership with the rest of the world and create the conditions for lasting global peace, security, and well-being.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 16-20, 2009 as

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and encourage the citizens and institutions in Arizona to participate in celebrating the week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, on this ninth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

ATTEST

Kate Blumett
Secretary of State

